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Ms. Mary Katherine Wildeman
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OFFICE OF
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request (EPA-HQ-2016-008538) – Final Disposition Letter

Dear Ms. Wildeman:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act request to the Environmental Protection Agency Office of Inspector General dated July 14, 2016, seeking disclosure of “any documents that identify the nine Arizona community water systems cited with Tier 1 violations that had not returned to compliance as of April 2015” as referenced in the OIG report, “Drinking Water: EPA Needs to Take Additional Steps to Ensure Small Community Water Systems Designated as Serious Violators Achieve Compliance.” Additionally, you asked “to review any documents identifying the extent of the violations of the aforementioned water systems identified by the report.”

In order to expedite our response to the first part of your request, seeking identification of the nine systems that your request describes, we are providing the following list:

PWSID	PWS Name
AZ0407001	ADAMAN MUTUAL WATER COMPANY
AZ0407343	COUNTRY HOME MHP
AZ0407633	HOPEVILLE WATER COMPANY
AZ0411100	THUNDERBIRD FARMS DWID
AZ0411301	AMERICAN REALTY MORTGAGE COMPANY
AZ0411321	VILLA GRANDE DWID
AZ0411712	ANTELOPE PEAK DWID
AZ0411038	PICACHO PEAK WATER COMPANY
AZ0411087	MARICOPA MOUNTAIN DWID I

With regard to the second part of your request, after a thorough search based on the information you provided, the Office of Inspector General has determined that we have no records that are responsive. However, certain information that may be responsive to this part of your request is publicly available through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s website (<https://echo.epa.gov/>) for Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO).

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that

excluded records do, or do not, exist.

You may appeal this decision to the Counsel to the Inspector General, Office of Counsel, Office of Inspector General, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Mail Code (2411T), Washington, D.C. 20460 or via email at oig_foia@epa.gov. The appeal must be made in writing and must be submitted no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The appeal letter and envelope should include the FOIA tracking number listed above and be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from either the EPA FOIA Public Liaison (hq.foia@epa.gov; 202-566-1667) or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). OGIS serves as a bridge between FOIA requesters and agencies and can be reached by email at ogis@nara.gov, by phone at 1-877-684-6448, or by fax at (202) 741-5769.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact Scott Levine, EPA OIG FOIA Officer, at (202) 566-1512 or oig_foia@epa.gov.

Sincerely,



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